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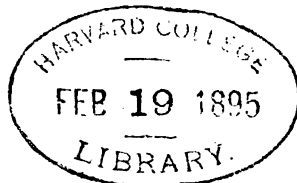
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LIBER SEXTUS.

WITH AN INTRODUCTION TO THE ENTIRE VOLUME AND THE EARLIER
DOMESDAY BOOKS BELONGING TO THE TOWN.

The ancient Borough of Ipswich, besides possessing a rather remarkable and extensive collection of Rolls, Charters and Letters Patent, Deeds, both private and municipal, as well as other miscellaneous writings of varied worth, is fortunate in having among the town Archives, several books, both written and printed, which are of special value and importance, alike to the antiquary and historian, and of no small account in the eyes of the intelligent burgess, who rightly regards each as a link in the silver chain that connects the present with the past. The interest which attaches to these volumes may be said mainly to centre in those, known respectively as the 'New' or 'Great' Domesday and the 'Old' or 'Little' Domesday Book, concerning which, and especially the former, I desire to draw attention.

The ancient laws and customs of Ipswich, dating from a very early period of the town's constitution and history, were originally contained in certain Rolls, once the cherished inheritance of our forefathers, but which, alas! were in the 56th year of the reign of Henry III.

abstracted from the "Comyn Hutche or Chestre" and, regardless of the grievous injury inflicted thereby upon the town, purloined by a certain notorious Town Clerk ("*un faus comun Clerk*") one, John le Blake, of whom, and the precious Rolls, it is almost needless to say, nothing further was heard. 'Men of the East' are proverbially '*wise*,' so that it is no cause for surprise, that we find the Ipswich townsfolk soon after this occurrence, deputing to twenty-four of their number, the task of compiling afresh an account of the ancient usages of the Borough, of the extreme importance of which they thus appear to have been fully sensible. These revived customs, ordinances and regulations, were embodied in the volume since known as the "*Domesday des Leyes e des usages de Gippeswiz*," but more commonly as the 'Little Domesday Book,' and appears to have been completed in the 19th year of Edward I. This work, however, seems very soon after to have disappeared, but not before two official copies had been made sometime during the reign of Edward II., and these were a little later on, increased to the number of three.

Of the fourteenth century transcripts, one is an octavo volume, containing within its leather covers, ninety-one leaves of vellum, upon fifty of which, appear in a neat hand, a copy in French of the former Domesday Book, while sundry other matters, of a later period, occupy the remaining forty one skins.

The other transcript, or duplicate copy, is apparently the work of the same penman, and also contains on the leaves not used for the original purpose of the book, much interesting matter of a subsequent date.

A third transcript of a similar character, and executed probably *about* the same time as the two copies just mentioned, but every way inferior to them, found its way some twenty-five years ago into the hands of the British Museum authorities,* under circumstances

* "*Le Domesday des Leyes et Usages de Gippewiz* 19 Edw: I. Br: Mus: CLVII. B. Add MSS. 25,011.

detailed at length in the Report recently made by Mr. J. C. Jeaffreson for the Historical MSS. Commission (Appendix ix, p. 242). Beside the French text, this copy has an English translation, and is easily accessible to the student in an admirable edition published in the Roll series,* which has an able introduction, pointing out especially the importance of the Ipswich Domesday as a unique volume among a rare class of documents: valuable foot notes, explanatory of obsolete terms, &c., are to be found on nearly every page.

In addition to this volume, a fifteenth century copy of this Domesday, was, at the same time as the other transcript mentioned, purchased by the Trustees of the British Museum, in whose custody it remains.

This latter volume was in all probability the precursor of the 'new' or 'Great' Domesday Book, so called from having been compiled in the 12th year of Henry VIII, and owing also to its great size, compared with the earlier transcripts of the former Domesday. Except only in point of priority of date, the Great Domesday Book of Richard Percyvale, (formerly one of the Portmen of the Town,) is a volume of far greater interest and importance than the earlier volumes to which allusion has been made, and supplied, what must have been a long felt want, in giving (to use the words of the compiler) "*as many of the old grants, liberties, ordinances, laws and good constitutions,*" as he could find "*prescription or good matter of record for, with divers and sundry other matters right necessary to be had and known in the town and borough of Ipswich.*" (see Prologue.)

The Great Domesday Book is a finely written thick folio, bound in old embossed calf, measuring 16 in. by 12 in. and containing 271 leaves of vellum, the whole being divided into seven Books (preceded by the prologue) which are as follows:—

LIBER PRIMUS, contains the Charter granted in the first year of the reign of King John, followed by records

* The Black Book of the Admiralty, Appendix, Part ii, vol. ii, 1873. Edited by Sir Travers Twiss, Q.C., D.C.L.

of succeeding grants, &c., as far as 13 Edward I. This book is mainly taken up with matter contained in the Little Domesday Volume and consists of twenty-one vellum leaves, and one leaf blank. (It is preceded by five blank leaves, upon the back of one of these a memorandum is written.)

LIBER SECUNDUS, has an English rendering of the eighty-three chapters contained in the earlier volume, where it is given in French; to these ordinances and regulations affecting the municipal life, twenty others of a latter date are added in Latin, the most remarkable being those for the proper ordering of the religious observances connected with the famous Merchants Guild of Corpus Christi. This book occupies no less than fifty-eight leaves: there are beside seventeen that are plain.

LIBER TERTIUS, is taken up with

(1) An Ordinance for the regulation of the *beremen* or *Wynedraggers* (porters) as laid down in the Little Domesday.

(2) The Tounne Custumes belonging to the Kynge's fee-ferme.

(3) The Assise of weying of brede after the Statue of Wynchester.

(4) The Assyse for bruers.

This book contains fifteen leaves, with one left plain at the end.

LIBER QUARTUS, has in Latin "the constitucion for Corpus Christi procession and in what maner the Maundy shulde yerely be kepte with other dyuers remembraunces requesyte to be had in memory;" followed by an order "how euery occupacion or craftesmen shuld ordre themselves in their goyng * * * in the same procession." There are also between 30 and 40 other distinct entries consisting of copies of Indentures, acquittances, enrolments, grants, extracts, memorandums, &c., &c., the whole occupying seventy-eight leaves, 18 or 19 of which are written in a late (bad) hand (*temp.* Eliz: and Ph: and

Mary) and two blank leaves. Three leaves that follow, which may also be said to form part of Book iv, contain in several different hands, various oaths added at a subsequent time to those which appear in Book v. so as to meet the requirements of after legislation, viz.

- (a) The Bailiffs (as to Impanelling Juries.)
- (b) Justices of the Peace.
- (c) Searchers of Leather.
- (d) Sealer of Leather.
- (e) Fleshwardens.
- (f) Wardens of the Foundation (29 Sep. 1623)
- (g) Town Treasurer.
- (h) Clavigers.

The fourth book is thus by far the largest portion of the several divisions marked in the volume, and has the widest range of subjects.

LIBER QUINTUS, is by reason of its contents, that part of the book which in former days was most frequently called into requisition, and from it, the markets &c., were periodically proclaimed. It consists of twenty leaves, which bear marks of long continued usage, at the end of which are two blank leaves, and contains "alle the othes that euey bayliff, portman, burgeys and alle other officers be wonte to swere when they be admyttyd into ther romys and offices with other dyuerse articules that the bayliffes of this towne be bounde to se obserued and kepte and to proclayme them euey yere in dyuers places of this Town with the Libertyes of this town by water and by land."

LIBER SEXTUS, may claim to be regarded as a book possessing more general interest than the others. The greater part of the contents of this portion, is taken up with matters relating, not to Ipswich only, but to the whole County of Suffolk *i.e.* (1) Taxes paid by every town in Suffolk to the King's Grace. (2) List of Knights' Fees of the Honors of Lancaster and Leicester in the County of Suffolk. It contains also, (a) a curious heraldic

description of the arms borne by divers Sovereigns; (b) a quaint memorandum of ancient lineal measurements, and what I have elsewhere spoken of as, (c) a "Rhyming Chronicle of the Kings of England," (William I. to Edward IV.), and attributed to Lydgate, the Monk-poet of Bury,* which brings the sixth book to a conclusion. There are in this part, twenty leaves, three of which remain blank.

LIBER SEPTIMUS, is the last book: it contains the Charter confirmed to the town in the 3rd year of Henry VIII. with another Charter relating to the Admiralty, and sundry other matters, written upon nineteen leaves, and there are beside, nine leaves at the end left plain.

The character and contents of the Great Domesday Book, as well as the object and design of its predecessors, may, it is thought from this description, be deemed of sufficient interest to lead many to desire a further and fuller acquaintance with the volume, such as a study of the book in its entirety can alone give.

It will be seen that the Great Domesday Book, is in point of fact, what in process of time the earlier Domesday volumes were inclined to become, a veritable *olla podrida*, for, if not exactly a receptacle for "odds and ends," many of the entries there made, cannot but be regarded as altogether foreign to the original purpose for which such a book was designed. We have, however, abundant cause for satisfaction, that the Great Domesday Book, is in respect of its varied contents, just what it is; the antiquary especially will be sure to find pleasure in the preservation of such quaint things as some which are here recorded, and which might otherwise have disappeared altogether. This feature is prominent in, and indeed may be said in a great measure to be confined to, the sixth book. Beside all this the inhabitant of Suffolk may find therein matters of some importance to the whole County, which perhaps point to a position, more or less one of pre-eminence, which may have been

* East Anglian, *New Ser.*, vol. I., pp. 88, 41.

occupied by the town of Ipswich in the reign of Henry VI. and have caused the Borough to be regarded also as a 'remembrancer' and custodian for the County at large. The section which best illustrates this conjecture, is the following account, also from the sixth book, of the "*taxes paid by every Town in Suffolk to the King's Grace*," which deserves to be made accessible to all who are interested in the history of the County. Of such taxes it may be said, that originally the amount payable to the King was uncertain, being levied by fresh assessments at each grant made by the Commons, but in the 8th year of Edward III. new taxations were made, by virtue of the King's Commission, of every township &c. in the kingdom, which quite settled the tax payable in each several case, and for the County of Suffolk, is that here recorded.

Richard Percyvale's Great Domesday Book. 12 Henry viii.

Liber Sextus.

"HERE BEGYNNETH THE VIth PARTE OF THIS BOKE
AND FIRST FOLOWITH WHAT TAXES EȚY TOWŃ
IN SUFFOLK PAYETH TO THE KYNGS GRACE.

Villa de Giþþo cū hamleta de Wyks Ufford hamleta de Wyks Episcopi hamleta de Stoke et hamleta de Brokys halle lxxiiij ^{li} xs vd Et Inde p donat. in Anno xxxij ^o Rege henrici sexti p dictā dñā Regem	xxli		
Et sic Reman̄	xlviij ^{li}	xs	vd.
Unde hamleta de Wyks Ufford soluit		xxvjs	viii ^d .
Item hamleta de Wyks epī soluit		xxiiij ^s	
Item hamleta de Stoke soluit		xvs	
Item hamleta de Brokys soluit		viijs	
Item Burgus Giþþi soluit resid viz	xl ^{li}	xvjs	ix ^d
Burgus dunwici soluit	xij ^{li}		
Burgus de Orford soluit	x ^{li}		
Burgus de Eye soluit	viii ^{li}		xx ^d .
Sñ Burgoꝝ þ dict cū hamlets—iiij ^{xx} —	xiii ^{li}	xxs	ij ^d

The hundred of Samford.

Kyrketoñ alias Shotley	iiij <i>l</i> i	vjs	ijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xvs	
ffreston		xxjs	iiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		ixs	
Stratfford		XLVIjs	iiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem		xij <i>s</i> .	
Berhōlt	vi <i>l</i> i		
Unde p donatur p dict Regem		vjs	viii <i>d</i>
Horkysted		xxxij <i>s</i>	viii <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vjs	viii <i>d</i>
Capell soluit	iiij <i>l</i> i	vs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xxvjs	viii <i>d</i>
Tatyngston soluit		xxx <i>s</i>	iv <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict Regem		xs	
Whersted soluit		xxxjs	ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		viijs	
Copdok soluit		xij <i>s</i>	vj <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xiijs	iiij <i>d</i> .
Wenham Magna & pua sol		ls	vj <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xxx <i>s</i>	
Holton soluit		xxxvijs.	vi <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs.	
Bentley soluit		xl <i>s</i> .	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vjs.	
Holbroke soluit		xij <i>s</i> .	xd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		viijs.	
Sprowtoñ soluit	iiij <i>l</i> i	xiijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs.	
Hegham soluit		xxxvijs.	vj <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		vij <i>s</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
Hynlyshm soluit		liij <i>s</i> .	ij <i>d</i> ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege.		xs.	
Burstall soluit		xxvs.	vij <i>q</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vjs.	
Shelley soluit		XLVIjs	viiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem		xij <i>s</i> .	
Reydon soluit	iiiij <i>l</i> i	vij <i>s</i>	ij <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem		xviijs.	
Branthm soluit		lvjs.	
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem		xij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d</i> .
Belstead pua soluit		xxxvjs	iiid.
Unde p donatur p dictu Regē		xs.	
Stuttoñ soluit		xl <i>s</i>	vi <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dictū Regē		xs.	
Eūwardē soluit		xliiij <i>s</i>	viiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dictū Regē		xs.	

Belsted Magna soluit	lvjs	vid.
Unde p donatur p dictū Regē	xs.	
Chelmyngtoñ & Wolūston taxantur ad decuman	iijli	
Unde p donatur p dictu Regem	xvjs.	
Bona mobilia hered Willi de Berham in villa de Berhām & Capell	xiijs	iiij d
Sām hundred p' dei cū bona mobilia hered Willi de Barhām—Lxjli viij vd. p Inde 2	iijli	
Sām total—Lxjli vs q Alloc	xviiijli	vij d.
Sām de Claro	XLijli	xvjs. xd q

Hundre de Bosmere

Berkyng cū Nede hām sol	vli	xvjs.	iiij d.
Eston cū Wyllers hām sol	iiijli	xs.	
Somers hām cū flokton sol	iijli		
Unde p donatur p dictū Regē	xxs.		
Blake hām pua soluit	xxxviijs.	vid.	
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xiijs.	iiij d.	
Hemyngstoñ soluit	XLvjjs.	vj d.	
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xiijs.	iiij d.	
Beyl hām soluit	liijs.	xd.	
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xxijs.		
Blaken hām magna soluit	xxxiijs.	vj d.	
Netylsted soluit	xxviijs.	vid.	
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Ryngesheld soluit	iiijli	iiijs.	vj d.
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xxvjjs.	viiij d.	
Ayshe soluit	XLiiijs.		
Eston Gosbak sol	xxxs.	xj d.	
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xvs.		
Ston hām Antegan cū mekelfeld sol	iiijli	xliis.	xd.
Unde p donatur p dictu Regem	xvijs.	viiij d.	
Ston hām Jernegañ soluit	XLvjjs.		
Ston hām Comitib soluit	lixs.	viiij d.	
Unde p donatur p dict Regem	xxs.		
Cretyng Sā Olavi Scē Marie et Omi Scoz sol	iiijli	vj d.	
Batysford cū Badke sol	iiijli	xx d.	
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xxs.		
Codyn hām cum Croeffeld sol	vli	xliijs.	viiij d.
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	xxs.		
Bramford cum Burstall sol	vli	xvijs.	viii d.
Unde p donatur p dictum Regem	xxs.		
Brysete magna & pua		ls	vj d.
Sām hundr p dictū	Lxiiijli	ixs	iiij d.

C

hundr^d de hertysmere.

Mendylesham soluit	vijli	ij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	vij <i>js</i> .	
Redgraue soluit	vli	xij <i>s</i> . iij <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dictum Regem	xx <i>s</i> .	
Palgrave soluit	xl <i>s</i>	ix <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	vij <i>js</i> .	
Broome	xl <i>js</i>	ii <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regem	x <i>s</i>	
Westethorp	iiijli	
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regem	x <i>s</i>	
Rysehangyll	xxxv <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regem	vij <i>js</i>	
Ocle	iiijli	xd.
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> do ^m Regē	x <i>s</i> .	
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Gyslyngghm	iiijli	xij <i>js</i> . ix <i>d</i> ob
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Stutton	xxxvij <i>s</i>	
Breseworth	xxxij <i>s</i> .	ij <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regem	vij <i>js</i> .	
Redelyngfeld	xxvij	vij <i>d</i> ob
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Thakesle	li <i>js</i>	iiij <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> do ^m Rege	vij <i>js</i> .	
Rekyngghale pua	xxxvij <i>js</i> .	vij <i>d</i> .
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Thardon taxatur ad x ^m	iiijli	iiij <i>s</i> . iij <i>d</i> .
Unde p donat ^r p dict <i>s</i> Regem	x <i>s</i> .	
Wyeham	liii <i>js</i> .	
Unde p donat ^r p dict <i>s</i> Regem	v <i>js</i> .	
Baketon	iiijli	ij <i>s</i> . vij <i>d</i> .
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regē	vij <i>js</i> .	
Tharueston	iiijli	xiiij <i>s</i> . iij <i>d</i> .
Wortham	vli	x <i>s</i> . vj <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> do ^m Regem	xij <i>s</i> .	
Burgate	lv <i>s</i>	xd.
Unde p donatur p do ^m Regem antedict'	x <i>s</i> .	
Thornham pua	xvij <i>js</i> .	
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regem		vij <i>d</i> .
Aspale	xl <i>js</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict <i>s</i> Regem	v <i>js</i> .	
Ocolt cū Benynghm taxat ^r ad x ^m	liii <i>js</i>	iiij <i>d</i> Ite ij <i>d</i>
Unde p donat ^r p dict <i>s</i> Regem	xv <i>js</i>	
Stoke	xlvi <i>js</i>	vij <i>d</i> .

Wyſtoñ	XLIIIs	iijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	vjs.	
Melles	XLVs	vid.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r do ^m Regem	vs	vid.
ffenynghm	iijl <i>i</i> xvijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	xij <i>s</i> .	
Wederyngsete cū Brokford	iiij <i>li</i> xs	xd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	xij <i>s</i> .	
Cotton	iijl <i>i</i> xs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	viijs.	
Thornham magna	LVIII <i>s</i> .	ijd.
Thweyte	xxx <i>s</i> .	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	xiijs.	iijd.
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Inde x ^d	xij <i>li</i> xiijs.	id.

hundrdē de Cleydoſ.

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Cleydon	XLiijs	xd.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege	xs.		
Akenhm	xxxiiij <i>s</i>	vjd.	
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem	xx <i>s</i> .		
Thurlestoñ cū Whytton	liij <i>s</i> .	vjd.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege	xx <i>s</i> .		
Berenghum	xxxiiij <i>s</i>	vjd.	
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Rege	vjs.		
Westerfeld cū Swynlond	XLvijs	vjd.	
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henley	XLvs	vjd.	
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Sñ hundred de Stowe.

Weste Cretyng	XLvs.		
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Wetherden	iijl <i>i</i> vjs	xjd	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r do ^m Rege	xiijs	iiijd.	
Gypyng cū Newton	xxx <i>s</i> .		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege	xs.		
Onhows cū herlstoñ & Shelond	liij <i>s</i> .		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	viijs.		
ffynbregh magna	liij <i>s</i> .	iiijd.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	vjs.	viijd.	
Buxale	iijl <i>i</i> iiij <i>s</i>	iiijd.	
dagworth	xxvs.		
Newton Veta	XLjs	iijd.	
Combes cū ffynbregh pua	vjl <i>i</i> xs	vjd	ob q

Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege	_____	xiijs.	iiij ^d .
Thornhey	_____	vj ^{li}	xjs.
Stow merket	_____	iiij ^{li}	xixs.
haule taxat ^r ad x ^{am} .	_____	vij ^{li}	viijs.
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regē	_____	xl ^s .	
S ^m hundr ^d β dict	_____	xlii ^{li}	iiij ^d q
Inde x ^{am}	_____	vij ^{li}	viijs.

hundr^e de hoxon.

horam cū Alyngton	_____	iiij ^{li}	vjs	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xxvjs.	viiij ^d .
Kelsale cū Carlton	_____		XLvj ^s .	
Sylham cū Ersham	_____	iii ^{li}	xiijs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regm	_____		xxs	
Laxfelde	_____	v ^{li}		
Badyngham	_____	v ^{li}		xviiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xs.	
Tatynghston cū Brundyssh	_____		Lxxiiij ^s	iiij ^d .
denyngton	_____	iiij ^{li}		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xs	
Wylvey	_____		Lviijs.	
Bedyngfeld cū Southoll	_____	iiij ^{li}	iiij ^s	ij ^d
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	_____		xiijs	iiij ^d .
Stradbroke cum Wyngfeld	_____	ix ^{li}		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xl ^s .	
Bedfeld cū Saxsted	_____		liijs	iiij ^d
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xs.	
Waybred cū Wetherysdale	_____	iiij ^{li}	xiijs.	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xvjs.	
ffresyngfeld cū Wetyngham & Chebenhale hamelette	_____ }	viiij ^{li}	xs	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		ls	
Mendham cum Metfield	_____			vij ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xxvjs.	viiij ^d .
hoxon cū debenham	_____	xj ^{li}		viiij ^d
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xxxiiij ^s .	xd
Wyrlyngworth cum Soh ^m	_____	v ^{li}		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r do ^m Regem	_____		xs	
Sm hundr ^e β dict	_____	iiij ^{li}		xvj ^d ob

hundred de Blything

Bronfeld cū pesenale et mell	_____	iiij ^{li}	xixs	xid
Walpole cū Sypton & Cokeley	_____	iiij ^{li}	vs.	ix ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xvs	
Upston cū henenyngh ^m	_____		XLvijs	xd
Bramston cū Stobene	_____	iiij ^{li}		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xxvjs	
Medylton cū ffordle	_____		xliijs	vd.

Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	viijs.		
Hensted	_____	xxxvjs	id.	
huntyngfeld cū lynsted	_____	iijs	iijs	iijsd.
magna & pua	_____			
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xxiijs		
henghām	_____	xxviijs.		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xs.		
Soterton	_____	xxijs		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	iijs		
Eston	_____	xxxvjs	viijsd	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	viijs.		
Southcoue	_____	xxixs	vid.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vjs		
Southwolve	_____	iiijs	xixs	iid.
Thornyngton cū Wenaston	_____	xlxs.	iijsd.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xixs.		
Westhale	_____	liijs.		
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem	_____	xs.		
Chedeston cū Blyford	_____	vli		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r doñ Regem	_____	xxs.		
Benacre Bulcamp cū Bregg	_____	vli	vjs.	viijsd
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xixs		
hasylworth	_____	iijs		iid.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xixs		
Onehale cum ffrostendoñ	_____	iijs	xjs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xs		
Blyburgh cū Walberswyke	_____	vli	xlvijs	xd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xvjs	
Wrenhām	_____	iijs	viijs.	
Reydon	_____	iijs	iijs	ob q
Westylton	_____	vli	vixs	vid.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		viijs.	
leyston cum Sysewell	_____	viijs		xvjsd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xs	
Northalys	_____	ixls		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xviijs.	
Cratfeld	_____		liis.	viijsd.
Unde p donatur p dictū Regem	_____		xlvijs.	
Dersham cum Yoxford	_____	vli		xiijsd
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xviijs.	
Wycett Rumbrugh Speksale & holton	_____	vli		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xxxs.	
Sām hundre p dict ^r	_____	4 vli	xvs	

hundr^d de Waynford

Wyrlynghām cū Cone	_____	iijs	iijs	xd
Unde p donatur p idem Regem	_____		ixs	

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Rynglesfeld cū Redeshm̄	_____	XLIIIs.	vid
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	XIjs.	
Sotyrie cū chadynfeld & Wylyngm̄	_____	vli	xvjs.
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^o Regem	_____		XIjs.
Bungey	_____	vli	vjs. vjd.
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^o Regē	_____		xxvjs.
Beclys	_____	xliijli	iijs. ijd.
Bersham in Shipmedowe	_____	iijsli	xliijs.
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____		xijjs.
metyngham	_____	XLIXs.	ix.
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____		xs.
Ilketsale	_____	vijli	xliijs. viid.
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____		xxvjs.
Weston Elw & Upredeshm̄	_____	iiijli	xvs.
Taxatur ad x ^m	_____		
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____		xxs.
Southelmh̄m	_____	xliijli	xliijs. iud. oñ
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regē	_____	iiijli	
Sin hundre p dict ^o	_____	LXvli	xixs. vijd. oñ
Inde x ^m	_____	iiijli	xvs.

hundre de lothynglond

Blundestone	_____	Lvs	xjd
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Rege'	_____	xvjs.	
Olton cum flyxton	_____	XLvijs.	viijd. oñ
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regē	_____		xs.
heryngflete	_____	xxxs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regē	_____	viijs.	
Askeby	_____	xxijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regē	_____	viijs.	
Bradwelle	_____	xliijs.	ijd. q
lounde	_____	xls.	viijd. oñ q
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Rege	_____		xs.
Belton	_____	iijsli	xliijs. ijd. q
Unde p donatur p dict ^o do ^m Rege	_____		xliijs. ijd.
Burgh	_____		xvs. vjd.
hopton	_____	xxxliijs.	viijd.
ffretoñ	_____	xls.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	xijjs.	
Gunton	_____	xxixs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	xijjs.	
Corton	_____	iijsli	xvjd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____		xliijs. ijd.
Soñleton	_____	liijs.	viijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____		xs.
lowystoft taxat ^r ad x ^m	_____	iijsli	xvs. id. q
Gorleston taxatur ad x ^m	_____		Lvs. id. oñ q

Reyston cū Gorleston	vi <i>li</i>	iiijs	iiij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xxs.	vj <i>d.</i>
pua Jernemuth cū Northmll	iiij <i>li</i>	xvjs	viii <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xxs.	
S ^m hundre p dei	xlviij <i>li</i>	xixs.	ij <i>d.</i>
Inde x ^m	vj <i>li</i>	xjs.	

hundre de Mutford.

Kessynglond	vi <i>li</i>	viijs.	vij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xxs.	
pakefeld cū Kyrkeley	iiij <i>li</i>		ij <i>d</i> ob
Gyssylham cū pte de Reysshemere	iiij <i>li</i>	iiijs	iiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xiijs	iiij <i>d.</i>
mutford cū Banabye et	} iiij <i>li</i>		
pte Reysshemere		ijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xiijs	iiij <i>d.</i>
Carleton		liis.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xs.	
S ^m hundre p dict ^r	xviij <i>li</i>	vjs	j <i>d</i> ob
Itm xxiij s ob p maffys de Cretyng & mekylfeld			
que fuef abbie de Grasteno Aliengine			
hic Incipit libtas Sā Edmundi			
& villa de Bury Sci Edi			

hundred de Babbergh.

Stoke	iiij <i>li</i>	xvs	vj <i>d.</i>
Cavendessh		4 ix	viiij <i>d.</i> ob
Waldyngfeld magna	iiij <i>li</i>	vjs	viiij <i>d</i> ob q
Unde de xx? bono? August ^r le Waleys		xiijs	iiij <i>d.</i>
Neylond	iiij <i>li</i>		
Corneherde magna		xlviij <i>js</i>	vj <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xij <i>js</i>	iiij <i>d.</i>
Corneherde pua		xlijs	ij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs	iiij <i>d.</i>
Newton		xlvijs	ij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xvs	
lausille	iiij <i>li</i>	xvijs	viiij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege		xs.	
Illey combust		lvijs	iiij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		viijs	
Bures	iiij <i>li</i>	iiij <i>js</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege		viijs.	
Oerthest		xxxviij <i>js</i>	viiij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem		iiij <i>js</i>	
Sofiton		xxxiiij <i>js</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege		viijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
Alfeton		xxiiij <i>js</i>	ix <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem			xxj <i>d.</i>

Asyngton	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	vd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^o do ^m Regem	_____	vij <i>s.</i>	
Syymplyng	_____	iiij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d</i> o <i>b</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	x <i>s.</i>	
Boxtede	_____	xxxv <i>s.</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	vs.	
Polstede	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	viiij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	viiij <i>s.</i>	
Westone	_____	xliij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	x <i>s</i>	xd.
Prestone	_____	liij <i>s.</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	xviiij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d.</i>
Waldyngfeld pua	_____	ls.	
Boxford	_____	xlxi <i>s</i>	ix <i>d</i> o <i>b</i>
Cokefeld	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	xv <i>s.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	xv <i>s.</i>	
Unde de xv ^o bono ² Barthi Burgherssh	_____	xx <i>s.</i>	
Aketon	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	xiiij <i>s</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	xiiij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d</i>
Groten	_____	xl <i>s</i>	viiij <i>d</i> o <i>b</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	x <i>s</i>	
Stansted	_____	xlviij <i>s</i>	viiij <i>d</i> q
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	vij <i>s</i>	
Illey monach ²	_____	liij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d</i> o <i>b</i>
Meldyng	_____	liij <i>s</i>	iiij <i>d</i> o <i>b</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	xij <i>s.</i>	
Edwardeston	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	xliij <i>s.</i>
lavenham	_____	viiij <i>li</i>	vij <i>s</i>
Glemefford	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	xv <i>s</i>
Melleford	_____	viiij <i>li</i>	vi <i>s</i>
Sutbury	_____	xviiij <i>li</i>	xiiiij <i>s.</i>
S ^m hundre ß dcī	_____	d xix <i>li</i>	xix <i>s</i> xd o <i>b</i> q

hundre de Cofford.

Bylston	_____	lviiij <i>s</i>	o <i>b</i>
Aldham	_____	xviiij <i>s</i>	o <i>b</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o do ^m Regem	_____	x <i>s.</i>	o <i>b</i>
Elmesset	_____	xlviij <i>s.</i>	iiij <i>d.</i>
hegham	_____	v <i>li</i>	viiij <i>s</i>
Ketelbreston	_____	xxxiiiij <i>s</i>	ij <i>d</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regem	_____	vij <i>s.</i>	
Kersey	_____	lvij <i>s</i>	ix <i>d.</i>
Reddyng	_____	xxxiiiij <i>s</i>	xd
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regē	_____	vij <i>s.</i>	
Chelesworth	_____	xxvij <i>s</i>	o <i>b</i> q
Unde p donatur p dict ^o Regē	_____		xiiij <i>d</i> o <i>b</i> q
Watefeld cū Naketon	_____	iiij <i>li</i>	xiiij <i>s</i>

Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	_____	xij ^s	vd.
Gemere	_____	xx ^s	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vs.	
lelesheye	_____	xxxvi ^s	iid.
leyham	_____	xlvs	vij ^d ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vij ^s	ij ^d ob
Thorp moriens	_____	lvj ^s	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vj ^s	
hadley	_____	vij ^{li}	xs
Bretenham	_____	ls	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vj ^s	
Wathesham	_____	xxxvi ^s	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vij ^s	
S ^m hundre p dci	_____	xlvi ^{li}	ij ^s xid ob q

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fornham Omi Scoz	_____	xxxvj ^s	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xld
Chelmyngton	_____	iiij ^{li}	xs.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		xxs.
Ikeworth	_____	xlxs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vij ^s	
Brokeleye cum Rede	_____	lvij ^s	vij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vij ^s	
lakford	_____	ij ^{li}	xvs vij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xij ^s	
Saxham	_____	xxxvj ^s	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xj ^s	xd.
hemgrave	_____	xxviij ^s	ixd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vs	xid.
hornynge herthe magna	_____	liij ^s	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vij ^s	
hargūe	_____	lis	vij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xs	
Kenton	_____	xxxs	iiij ^d ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	iiij ^s	
Saxham pua	_____	ls	ij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	_____	vij ^s	
hausted	_____	lv ^s	vij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	ixs	
Rysby	_____	iiij ^{li}	xiiij ^s ij ^d
Westele	_____	xlviij ^s	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vj ^s	
hornynge herth pua	_____	xixs	jd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	iiij ^s	vij ^d .
Barwe	_____	iiij ^{li}	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	ixs	

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fflempton	_____	xxxvijs	ij <i>d.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vjs	xd
Whepsted	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	jd
S ^m hundre ð dci	_____	lxv <i>jl</i> i	ii <i>jd</i> o <i>b</i>

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Berton	_____	vii <i>jl</i> i	xis	vd
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i		
heggesete cū Beketon	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	iijs	vii <i>jd</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	_____		iijs	vii <i>jd.</i>
levermer magna	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	xixs.	vd q
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		vjs.	
Wolpett	_____		xlii <i>js</i>	ii <i>jd</i>
Creukeston	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	xvi <i>js</i>	vd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		iijs	ix <i>d.</i>
Ratlesden	_____		xlxi <i>ls. sic</i>	vii <i>jd.</i>
Roughm	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	ijs	ii <i>jd.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		vij <i>s.</i>	
Tostoke	_____		xls.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		ijs.	
ffornh ^m	_____		xlvijs	v <i>jd</i>
Whelneth ^m magna & pua	_____		lijs	ii <i>jd</i> c <i>b</i> q
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem	_____		vij <i>s.</i>	ii <i>jd.</i>
Geddyng cū ffelsh ^m	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	iijs	ii <i>jd</i> o <i>b</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē	_____		xjs.	vd.
Tymworth cū Ampton	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i	xjs	ii <i>jd.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		vjs	ii <i>jd.</i>
Thurston	_____		lvijs	vii <i>jd</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		ijs	viii <i>d</i>
Stanfeld cum Bradle pua	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i		
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		vij <i>s</i>	xd.
pakenh ^m	_____	vi	xlijs.	v <i>jd.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		ixs.	v <i>jd.</i>
Bradefeld monacho <i>z</i>	_____		xlvs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		vs	v <i>jd.</i>
Bradfeld Seyntkelere	_____		xxi <i>js.</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		ijs.	
Rosshbrook	_____		xxvijs	ii <i>jd.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____		vs	v <i>jd.</i>
S ^m hundre ð dci	_____	lxi <i>jl</i> i	vij <i>s</i>	ii <i>jd</i> o <i>b</i>

hundre de Blakeborune.

Ixeworthe	_____			xlvs	ii <i>jd.</i>
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____			vjs	vii <i>jd.</i>
hopton	_____	ii <i>jl</i> i		iijs	v <i>jd.</i>
helderle	_____			xxxii <i>js.</i>	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____			vjs	ii <i>jd.</i>

ffakenham pua	_____	xxxixs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	vij ^s .	
Stanton	_____	iiij ^{li} xvj ^s	viiij ^d .
leūmere pua	_____	liis	vd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xj ^s .	
Eustone	_____	liij ^s .	
Inghm	_____	xlvs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	ixs	ix ^d .
Weston	_____	liiijs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xiijs	iiij ^d .
Berhm	_____	iiij ^{li} vj ^s .	
Aysshefeld magna	_____	xlijs.	
hepworthe	_____	iiij ^{li} iij ^s	iiij ^d .
Rekyng hale	_____	xlviij ^s	jd.
Elineswell	_____	liij ^s	vj ^d .
Norton	_____	iiij ^{li} vs	iiij ^d .
Berdewelle	_____	vij ^{li}	ij ^d .
Aysshefelde pua	_____	liij ^s	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xld.	
Coneweston	_____	iiij ^{li} ix	vj ^d .
Capston	_____	xls	viiij ^d .
Bernynghm	_____	iiij ^{li} xij ^s	xj ^d .
Reyssheworth	_____	xvj ^s	
Enateshale	_____	liij ^s .	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	ij ^s	ix ^d .
Troston	_____	iiij ^{li} viij ^s	iiij ^d .
ffakenhm magna	_____	xlijs	vj ^d .
laughm	_____	xxxjs.	
Telvehm	_____	xliiijs	xj ^d .
Stowelangtofte	_____	xxxvj ^s	xd o ^b
hunteston	_____	xxxvijs.	
Ixworth thorpe	_____	xxxvj ^s	iiij ^d .
honeweton	_____	liij ^s	vj ^d .
Wattlefeld	_____	liiijs	vj ^d .
Walshm	_____	lvjs	viiij ^d .
Westowe	_____	iiij ^{li}	
Wrydewelle	_____	xlijs	vj ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xs	iiij ^d .
Culford	_____	xxxiiij ^s	viiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem	_____	xiijs.	
S ^m hundre ð dei iiij ^{xx}	_____	xv ^{li} xvs	iiij ^d o ^b
hundre de lakford.			
Mildenhale	_____	xj ^{li} xs	jd o ^b q
Brandon	_____	xvijs	iiij ^d .
Iklynghm	_____	vj ^{li} ijs	viiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r do ^m Regem	_____	ijs	vij ^d .

lakynghethe	vjli	xixs	ixd q
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xviijs.	
heryngeswelle	iiijli	xiijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xij ^s	vij ^d
Eryswelle	vijli		ixd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xxij ^s .	vj ^d .
Eluedene	iiijli		
heghm		xij ^s	iiij ^d ob q
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem			xvd ob
Dounham		liij ^s	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		x ^s	vj ^d .
Cavenh ^m	iiijli	iijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xij ^s	iiij ^d .
Wrydlyngton	vli	x ^s .	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xxs.	
ffrekenh ^m	iiijli	xiijs	iiij ^d ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		ixs.	
Wangford		lvjs	vd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē			xvij ^d .
Tudenh ^m	iiijli	iijs	j ^d q
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem		xvs.	
Berton pua	iiijli	x ^s	iiij ^d .
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem		x ^s	vj ^d .
S ^m hundre de þ ^r dcī	lxxiiijli	xvj ^s	vj ^d ob

hundre de Ryssebregge.

Denh ^m		xlvs	vd.
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem		viijs.	
hauhill	vjli	xvs	viiij ^d ob
Kedyton	iiijli	viijs	viiij ^d .
Depden cū Cheldebergh	iiijli	xiijs	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r do ^m Regē		xiijs	vij ^d .
Bradley pua		xxxs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vij ^s .	
honedon	iiijli		xxiiij ^d ob
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vij ^s	viiij ^d .
Unesdene		xxxij ^s	iiij ^d .
Bernerdeston		xliij ^s .	
Thirlowe magna		lviijs	iiij ^d q
Wykh ^m Broke	viiijli	iijs	iiij ^d
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xxs.	
Stradeshyll cū denareston	iiijli	xiijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		vjs	viiij ^d .
hakedone cū Thurstanton		xlijs	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		ixs.	
Clare	vli		
Wrotyng magna	iiijli		vd

Stanefeld		XLIIIs	IIIjd
Wydekeshoo		XXIXs	IXd
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		VIIjs.	
Multon	IIIjli	vjs	VIIIjd
pollyngworth cū Chopeley		LIIjs	Ijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		VIIjs.	
Thirlowe pua		Lvs	IIIjd oß
Dalham cū Tunstall		LVIIjs	IIIjd.
Stoke Chilton and Boyton	vli	IIIs	IXd oß q
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Rege		XVIIIs.	
Wrotyng pua	IIjli	IIjs	Xd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^s do ^m Regem		vjs.	
Bradley magna	IIjli	xs	XId oß
Wetheresfelde	IIIjli	vjs	oß q
lydgate	vli		Xvd
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		VIIjs	
Gayslee cū Nedhm et kenford	vli	IIjs	IIIjd.
Coulyng	IIIjli	XIIIjs	q
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		xs	
S ^m hundre ð dei IIIj ^{ss}	XVIjli	Xvs	Vd oß
Ixnynge di hundre	XIIIjli	IIIjs	Ijd
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Rege		xs.	
Bona mobilia Johis Tendryng invent ^s in villa de Stokenaylond polsted and Sprowton ad xv ^m p se ad Summam		xxs	IXd.
S ^m di hundre cū bonis mobilibz	XVli	IIIjs	XId.
S ^m To. ^e libtatis Scī Edmundi cū di hundre de Ixnynge & bonis mobilibz Johis Tendryng	Simj ^{ss} li	XIIIs	oß q

hic incipit libtas Scē Etheldrede

hundre de plomesgate

Benhale Saxmūdhm and ffarmhm	IIIjli	xiiijs	Vd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Rege		xxs	Vjd.
Aldeburgh cū haswode		LVjs	VIIjd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		xs.	
Ikne cum Chesylford and Onynglborth		XLVIjs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		vjs	
Sternefeld		XXXVjs	Ijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Rege		VIIjs	
Glemhm pua cū Stratford		XLVIIjs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Rege		XIIjs	IIIjd
Glemhm magna		XLIIs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regē		IIIjs.	
Sudburne		LIIIjs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem		xxs.	

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Rendhām cum Brosyerd	iiij ^{li}	iiiijs	xd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xiijs	
Blaxhale cū pte de Tunstall		liiijs	xd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vjs	
Snape cū ffreston		liiijs.	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xiijs	iiii ^d .
Cranyfford cū Swystlyng	iiij ^{li}	xls	vd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege		viijs.	
Perhām		xliiijs	
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege		xs.	
Wanyrsden cum pte de Tunstall		lijs	ixd
Sām hundrē β dci	xxxviij ^{li}		xiijd.

hundrē de Wylford

Alderton		liiijs.	viijd
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs	
Baudesey	vij ^{li}		xij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xxxiijs	iiij ^d .
Sutton	iiij ^{li}	vjs	viijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vs.	
Boyton cum Capell		xxxviij ^{li}	vjd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		viijs.	
Rameshalt cū Bromeswell		xls.	
Unde p donat ^r p dict ^r Regem		vs	
hollisle cū Chatyshām		xliij ^{li}	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs	
Wykhām cū petryste and loudhām	iiij ^{li}	xls	iijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs.	
Boulge debache and Dalanghoo		xliiijs	iiij ^d
melton cū Ufford	iii ^{li}	iijs	iiij ^d .
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		viijs.	
Bredfeld taxatur ad x ^{ma}		xvjs	vd
Sām hundrē β dci	xxviii ^{li}	xixs	vjd.
Inde x ^{ma}		xvjs	vd.

hundrē de lose

hacheston		xlvijs.	
letherynghām cū Chasfeld	iiij ^{li}	iijs	vjd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regē		xij ^{li}	
Estoñ cū Ketelbreghe		lijs	vijd
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		vjs.	
Unde de x ^{ma} de bonis August ^r waleys		xs	vijd.
Cretynghām cū Brandeston and Monewedene	4	xjs	viijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Rege		viijs	
Aysshe		xliis	
Rendeleshām	iiij ^{li}	viijs	viijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^r Regem		xs	

Sohm cū Kenton	iiijli	vijſ	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xijſ	
fframlyngghm	iiijli	xiiijſ	iiijd
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xs.	
Eyke		xlviijſ	viiijd.
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xs	
hoo dalanghoo & Wodbregg	iiijli	xxſ	xd
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regem		xijſ	
Marlesford cū pte de Butle		xlviijſ	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xs	vjd.
S̄m hundre p̄ dēi	xxxvli	xiiiijſ	vijd

hundre de Carleford.

Wytleshm	iiijli	vijſ	iiijd.
Ryssehmere cū Alesborne		xlviijſ	ixd
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xviiijſ	xd oſ
Playford cū Brightwell		lvijſ.	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xs.	
Todynham cū Culpho	iiijli		
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		ixſ	
Grondeſburgh cū burgh	iiijli	xviijſ	q
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xs	
Belynge magna & pua	iiijli	vijſ	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xs	
hakeston		lvijſ	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xijſ.	
Clopton	iiijli	vs.	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regem		xiiijſ	iiijd.
Martleshm		lviiijſ.	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regem		xs.	
ffoxhole cū Kesgraue		xxxijſ	vjd.
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regē		xijſ	
Otleigh	iiijli		xd.
S̄m hundre p̄ dēi	xxxvli	njs	vd oſ

hundre de Coleneyse.

Tremley and Tremley cum Alteston	vijli	vijſ	xd.
Unde p donat' p dictꝝ Regem		xxxiiijſ.	iiijd.
Naketon leuyngton & Stratton	iiijli	xiiijſ.	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regem		xiiij	iiijd.
Kyrketon ffaltenhm Bucleshm & Olmeslee	vijli	vijſ.	
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regem		xlſ	
Walton & ffylchestowe	vjli	iiijſ	viiijd.
Unde p donatur p dictꝝ Regem		xxxiiijſ	iiijd.
S̄m hundre p̄ dēi	xxiiijli	xs	vjd.

hundre de Thredlyng

Aasheffeld cum Thorp	_____	XLVjs	iijd.
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem	_____	vjs	viijd
fframesden cum Pethaugh	_____	XLIIjs	iiijd.
Debynhm cum Wyston	_____	vli	xs
Unde p donatur p dict ^s Regem	_____	XIIIs	ijd.
S ^m hundre ð dei	_____	xli	xd
S ^m to ^t libtat ^e	}	q iiij ^{xx} xli	xs
Sc ^e Etheldrede			

I am not acquainted with a perfect book of taxation belonging to any one county of so early a date as the foregoing. In the Chetham Library at Manchester, there is a complete list of taxes for the County of Lancaster, but this goes no further back than the middle of the 17th Century.

It may reasonably be supposed that the principle which guided our ancestors in the making of this early assessment, was akin to that which we now term 'rateable value.' We find at a later period (4 Henry VIII. A.D. 1513) that, for the "raysing of a whole tax granted to the King," the different parishes in the Town of Ipswich were assessed as follows:—

St. Mary le Tower	£5	4	0	St. Mary Elms	£2	18	0
St. Margaret	5	11	0	St. Lawrence	5	5	6
St. Clement	4	9	8	St. Mary at the Quay	4	9	4
St. Nicholas	2	4	0	St. Peter	4	6	4
St. Stephen	2	4	8	St. Matthew	4	3	0
St. Helen 13s. 4d.							

the total sum of which is a few shillings in excess of the actual sum at which the Burgesses of the Town were assessed in the Taxation of Henry VI. For the levying of this later Ipswich tax, two Taxers and two Collectors were nominated for each parish.

The Suffolk Taxation list gives as good an idea of the position held by the several parishes and townships in the early part of the 15th Century as could well be desired. It is interesting to note the change that has passed over many of these places since the time when

the assessment was made. To give a solitary instance, drawn almost at random from the Hundred of Lothingland: the villages of Belton and Corton are each taxed at only a few shillings less than the adjacent town of Lowestoft, which itself could then have been little more than a fishing village.

The names of places as formerly written, additions made thereto, and the mention of places no longer to be found recorded in lists of Suffolk parishes, *etc.*, are in many cases well worth notice.

A tax imposed on every parish in the Kingdom, in the year 1370, was at a *uniform* rate, the larger in each Hundred being commanded to help the smaller.

This account of the Taxes payable by the county of Suffolk, is followed by a curious heraldic description of the arms borne by divers Sovereigns, with the designation of the several supporters placed at the head of each. (*temp.* Henry VI.) It was possibly deemed absolutely necessary that an important maritime town like Ipswich should possess an authoritative document of this kind, but it is a reasonable supposition that it was not very frequently referred to.

"THE MOST CRISTEN KYNG OF FFRAUNCE* his grace berith Assure thre
flowre delice golde Garuntyn

THE MOSTE EXCELLENT & MOST REDOUBTED KYNG OF ENGLOND† my most
Sofraigne lorde berith quartly Asure iij. flowre delice golde and he
berith Gowlys thre lypardys‡ passaunts golde enarmed in asure.

ANTYLOPE

THE KYNG OF SPAYNE. his noble grace berith quartly Gowlys. A
castell golde And he berith Syluer A lyon Salijaunt Sable.

TYGYR

THE KYNG OF POYLE.§ he berith gowlys departed wt. a Crosse golde.

* This was the ordinary title of the Kings of France: it is ancient, but of uncertain origin.

† This title is not older than the latter part of the 14th Century.

‡ *Leos-pardes*, not leopards. Until late in the 14th Century, the lions of the Royal Shield of England were known as leopards. It was an heraldic title only, denoting the precise attitude of the lion, walking and looking about him after the manner of a leopard.

§ Poland.

An Egle Syluer And he berith gowlys a Kyng coraious syttyng crownyd and armyd in gold sittying uppon a cowerse off syluer Rynnyng empailed in üto.

BOUAS:

THE KYNG OF AROGOWEN* he berith golde iiij palys gowlia.

DAMA:

THE KYNG OF DENMARKE he berith quarterly golde harteles gowlys iiij. lypardes passaunte assure. And he berith gowlys a lyon of golde seaunt in a cheire of Syluer wepenyd w^t the same.

HERTE.

THE KYNG OF HONGARY. he berith quarterly assure thre Sunnys golde and he berith gowlys A syluer ffecy of vj:

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THE KYNG OF CYPRESSE he berith quarterly sylü and assure ffecy a lyon Rampaunt gowlys And he berith syluer a crosse potaney golde betwē iiij of the same.

GEROSYLL.

THE KYNG OF BEAME.† he berith gowlys a lyon. Rampaunt Rewardyng force syluer crowned and armyd in golde.

GENEROWNYS.

THE KYNG OF NAPLES he berith quarterly veert. ij. lyons passaunte golde. And he berith gowlys a Crosse matale golde

PARAUNDYR

THE KYNG OF CECYLE. he bereth golde iiij. pales. gowles. ij. voydures poynted syluer w^t ij. Eglys displayed Cubyll membrye with gowlys.

GRYFFOWN.

THE KYNG OF GRUYCE. he berith a crosse fuse Crosse gowlys in a Champe of golde uppon a felde of verte.

PANTER

THE KYNG OF NAVARRE.‡ he berith quarterly assure. iiij flowres delyce golde w^t a bende gobony gowlys & syluer And he berith gowlys A charbokyll gold.

BRADRIX.

THE KYNG OF PORTUGALE. he berith v. skochones eneroys assure itele psaut w^t a bordure gowlys castell golde.

* Arragon, the eastern part of Spain † Bohemia ‡ Navarre.

UNYCORNE.

THE KYNGE OF SKOTTYS. he berith golde a lyoñ Rampaunt w' in a
doble trussure count florete gowlys

OLYFAUNT."

There is every reason to suppose that this description as it stands is unique: it is certainly of great interest.

The list of Knights' Fees of the Honors of Lancaster and Leicester, lying within the County of Suffolk, also finds a place in the Little Domesday Book.* Several such lists, and especially those annexed to the Duchies of Lancaster and Leicester, from various counties, are to be found in many of our public libraries, but Sims, who gives a lengthy account of these Knights' Fees in his "Manual," makes no mention of those old hereditary revenues here given, and which may be supposed to be generally unknown to students.

"HEC SUNT FEODA MILITUM DE HONORIBUS LANEGASTE' ET LEYCEST' IN
COMUTAT' SUFF:

In villa de Lund cum membris	-	<i>j. feod militis</i>
In villa de Ilkttleshale cū membris	-	<i>ij. feod & dī militis</i>
In villa de Mendhām cū membris	-	<i>j. feod militis</i>
In villa de Wytynhām cū membris	-	<i>j. feod militis</i>
In villa de Akenhām cū membris	-	<i>j. feod militis</i>
In villa de Hasketoñ clopton. & Wodebregge cū membris	} -	<i>j. feod militis</i>
In villa de Ikene cū membris	-	<i>j. feod militis</i>
In villa de Oteleye cū membris	-	<i>j. feod & dī militis</i>
In villa de Cleydone cū membrē	-	<i>Dī feod militis</i>
In villa de Culfo cum membrē	-	<i>Dī feod militis</i>
In halghetre & Alnesburne cū membrē	<i>tres ptes</i>	<i>viii feod</i>
In lellesseye cū membris	-	<i>Dī feod militis</i>
In Sproutoñ cū membris	-	<i>ij feod militis</i>
In Wylasham cū membris	-	<i>j feod militis</i>

* Add MS 25,012 fol. 47 b. Br: Mus.

In Offtone cū membris	-	-	<i>j feod militis</i>
In pua Blakenhām cū membris	-	-	<i>grt feod militis</i>
In Ryseby cū membris	-	-	<i>j feod militis</i>
In ffyneberghe cū membris	-	-	<i>ij feod militis</i>
Buxhale cum membris		-	<i>j feod militis</i>
In Thorp moriens cū membre	-	-	<i>ij feod militis</i>
In prestone cū membre	-	-	<i>Dī feod militis</i>
In Waldingfelde cū membre	-	-	<i>Dī feod militis</i>
In Bortede cum membre	-	-	<i>Dī feod militis</i>
In Thurstantōn cū membe	-	-	<i>j feod militis</i>
In Baudreseye cū membre	-	-	<i>ij feod militis</i>
In veteri Newton cū membre			<i>vij ps viiis feod militis</i>
In Stonhām Count cū memb ^r			<i>xx psjs feod militis</i>
In leyhām cum membr ^r	-	-	<i>vij feod militis</i>
S ^m To ^t feod militū	} <i>xxviij Dī & xxviij ptes</i>		

In the brief, but singular "Memorandum" of ancient lineal measurements which follows, several points are touched, likely to enlighten us somewhat with regard to a matter which in the state of our present knowledge, is one of the greatest doubt and obscurity, viz., the true value and meaning of the terms anciently employed in such measurements.

"MEMORANDŪ that iiij. Barly cornys takyū in the myddys of the yere (*ear*) makith an unche And xij. unches makith a ffoote iij. foote makith a yerd & xvj. ffoote and a halfe makith a perche & iiij. perches in brede and xl in leynght makith an Akir Lond & iiij acres maketh a yerd of Lond And v yerds makyth a hyde of Londe & viij hydes of Londe & viij hydes of londe makith an Knyght's ffee."

We are at once brought face to face with the familiar fact that the standard of measurement, like that of weight, had its origin in the grain of corn, which was to be "taken in the myddys of the ear." It will be noticed that the number of grains, which according to this note

were necessary to complete an inch, were four, whereas it is now but three. The table proceeds pretty much according to our recognised rule as far as the statement that "iiij perches in brede & xl in length makith an aker," then we meet with a "*yard*," a "*hide*," and a "*Knights' fee*," concerning which there seem to have been no general agreement as to limit or extent. The old *Virgate* or *yard* (*Sax*: a certain extent of land) is mostly regarded as an indefinite term containing somewhere from 25 to 40 acres, and as a necessary consequence the terms that follow are equally vague. The above "memorandum" which cannot have been framed later than the 15th Century, and probably much earlier, seems to settle the measurements with a certainty which is now scarcely recognised. The "*yard*" which is usually accounted only the *fourth* part of a hide, is here reckoned a *fifth*. The "*hide*" or "*caracute*," = 120 acres, is a very ancient measurement, having been employed by the Romans: this was apparently the unit of assessment. It doubtless had its origin in the quantity of land that could be enclosed within an Ox hide, when cut into slips and carried round the land so enclosed, although this application of the term is sometimes disputed. It is sometimes called a "*plough land*" = *caracute*, owing to the quantity of land being just as much as one plough was capable of cultivating. There is considerable difference of opinion respecting what is known as "*a Knights' Fee*."* In the old feudal system, every holder of an extent of land called "*a knight's fee*," was obliged at the instigation either of the king or a superior to whom he owed service, to render according to his tenure, as occasion, and the will of his lord required. The land comprised in such a "*fee*" was doubtless amply sufficient to allow of a proper discharge of the knightly office, although it is difficult to say precisely what it represented. The general impression seems to be against fixing any certain amount, and it is roughly estimated at from 100 to 500 acres of arable land, but then of course the exact limit to an acre is, as

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we have seen, somewhat doubtful. It *may* be, that the knights' fee varied in different districts, according to the nature of the soil and other considerations, but this is not very likely; at all events eight hides, (whatever they may have contained) according to the memorandum referred to, went to a Knights' fee. It appears extremely probable that the entry was made in the Ipswich Town Books for the very purpose of settling the difficulties occasioned by so arbitrary an arrangement, but I have not met with a single author acquainted with such a table.

The last portion of this book is occupied by a Rhyming Chronicle of the Kings of England, from William I. to Henry VI., which is of special interest. Little more than a mere surmise led me some time ago to ascribe the authorship of these verses to John Lydgate, the Monk-Poet of Bury Saint Edmunds, and there is every reason to regard this as a probable conjecture. Besides it appears that the lines occur in several old MSS. with some slight variations and additions, and are commonly attributed to Lydgate. There is a copy among the Harleian MSS. in the British Museum (2251. f. 2. b.) with an additional stanza relating to the reign of Edward IV. There is one in the handwriting of Shirley, the transcriber of Chaucer, in the Ashmolean Library (No. 59) at Oxford, and written probably about the year 1456, with additions by other hands. The lines were printed in 1530 by Wynkyn de Worde, with additions to the reign of Henry VIII. The verses also occur in a 15th Century MS. known as the "Historical Collections of a London Citizen," fol. 110—112, with this heading, "Cronycles of alle Kyngys of Englonde after the Conqueste as of thyr namys ande where that they bene i-byryede." This was printed by the Camden Society in 1876, and the additional stanza is inserted from the Harleian MS. There are several variations, the most important of which I have indicated in foot notes to the Ipswich Great Domesday text, which stands altogether unencumbered with notes.

"Willm̄ the Conquero"

This mighty Willm̄ of Normandy
As Bokys olde makith mencon
Be iuste tytle & by his Chevalry
made Kyng by conquest of brutesalbion*
putte ought harald and toke possesyon
Bare his Crowne full xxj. yere
Buryd at Cane thus seithe the cronyclere

Willm̄s Ruffus

Next in ordrelve Successyon
Willm̄ Ruffus his sone crownyd kyng
whiche to godwarde had non deuocion
Distroyed Chirches of new & old byldyng
To make a fforest plesaunt for huntynge
xiiij yere bare his Crowne in dede
Buryd at Wynchestyr ye may rede.

Henricus Primus

his Brother next callid Harry the ffyrst
was at london crownyd as I fynde
whos Brother Robard Duke of Normandy
gav Warret the cronycle makith mynde
Reconsiled all ranker sett behynde
ffull xxxj† yere be record of wrytyng
he Reignyd And buried att Redyng.

Stephanus.

his brother§ Stevyñ when Herry the first was dede
Toward yngland gaue Crosse his sayle
the Archebyssshoppe dyd sett up on his hede
A Rich Crowne beyng of councele.
xix. yers w' sorowe and grett travayle
bare his crowne & nevyr had Rest
And at ffesham lyeth buried in a Chest

* in margin, *id est* Englonde

† Ganne hym werry

‡ xxxiiij

§ coosyn

Henricus ii^o

Henry the ii^{de} soñ of the Impasse.
 was crownd next a full manly knyght
 As books of olde pleynly dothe expresse
 this seid henry by ffoward force and myght.*
 yerys xxxv regnyd as it is made of mynd
 Att ffount Everard lyeth buried As I ffynd.

Ricardus p^{mu}s

Richard his soñ by Successyon.
 ffirst of that name stronge hardy & notabyll
 was crownd Kyng callid cure de lyon.
 w^t sarasyñs heds servyd at his Tabyll
 Slayne at Calyas by dethe lamentabyll
 the space regnyd fully x† yere
 his harte buried at Roone und' the hie awter.

Iohannes

Nexte Kyng Richard regnyd his brother John
 after sone entery in to ffraunce.
 lost all Aungee & Normandy A noñ
 This Lond enterdicted by his† goūnannee.
 And as it is putt in remembraunce
 xvij yere Kyng of Region§
 lyeth at worsettyr deyde of poysoñ.

Henricus iij^o

Herry the iij^{de} Soñ of ix yere Age
 was at Glowcett^r crownd as I rede
 longe warre he had w^t his baronage
 Gretly delicted in Almesse dede
 lvj^o yere he regnyd here in dede
 buried at Westmyster by recorde of writyng
 the day of Seynt Edmūde martir & kyng.||

* This stanza in the Ipswich Domesday MS. has but six lines. In the MS. copy from which the Camden Society printed, the fifth line stands as 'Slowe Thomas (Bekett is interlined here in a later hand) for Hooly Chyrche ryght.' The omission from this later MS. is easily understood.

† ix

‡ mys

§ this regyon

|| Seynt Edwardi martir mayde & Kyng.

Edwardus p̄mus

Edward the first w' his shanks longe
 Was aftir crownyd that was a good knyght.
 Wanne Skotlande mager the Skotts stronge
 And all Walys in the dispyte of ther myght.
 duryng his liff mayntenyd trew & Right
 xxxv yere he was here Kyng.
 lyeth at Westmynster this is no leasyng.

Edwardus ij^o

Edwarde his son callid Carnervān
 succedyng aftyr to make his Alyaunce
 As the Cronycle well reherse cañ
 Weddyd the doughter of Kyng of ffrance
 Unto Thoñs of lancastar he toke venisaunce
 xix yeres held here Regaly
 Buried at Glowcett books speciffye.

Edwardus iii^o

Edwarde the ij^{de} borne at Wyndsoore
 Whiche in Knyghthood had so great a p̄ce
 Enherytour of ffrance w'outen moore
 bare in his armys quarto ij fflowre delyce*
 And gate Calice hi his prudent device
 Regnyd in Ingland lj† yere
 lyeth at Westmynster thus saieth the cronycler

Ricūs ij^o

The soñ of p̄nce Edward Richard the ij^{de}
 In whos tyme was pease & great plente.
 Weddyd quene Anne of Bowā† as it is ffounde
 Isbell after of ffrance who lyfte to se.§
 xxij. yere he reynyd here p̄de
 at Langley buried ffirst so stond the case
 After to Westmyster his body caried was.

* quarto the fflowre delyce † lij ‡ dele of Bowā
 § Isbell after of france he lystede to see

Henricus iiij^o

Henry the iiij^o next crowned in certeyn
 A ffamows knyght of grete cemlynesse*
 ffrom his exile when he come home ageyn
 w^t werre travayled and w^t greate sekenesse
 xiiij yers he reigned in sothnesse
 lyeth att cawntabury in that holy place
 god of his marcy do his sowle grace.

Henricus quitus.

The† fyrst henry of knyghthode lodsterre
 Wyse† manly pleynty to detmyne.
 ffortunate pvyd in pease & in werre
 grettly exspert in marcy full disciplyne
 able to stonde amonge the worthyes is.§
 Reigned x yers who that lyst to regarde||
 lyeth at Westmynster by Seynt Edward.¶

Henricus Sextus

Henry the Syxte brought forth in** vertu
 by Iust tittle and by Inheritannce.
 provydyd be forne by the grace of Ihū††
 To be crownyd yn Ingland & in ffrance.††
 Reignyned xxxix yere & God gaffe hym sufficiānce§§
 of vtuos lyffe & chose hym for his Knyght
 At Wyndesore buried And myracles doth by Goddys myght.||||

The abrupt ending of the verses in this Ipswich MS. is significant, and may probably throw some light upon the time of Lydgate's death, which has long been a disputed point. Warton, (*History of English Poetry*, Sec.

* semblesse † v ‡ wyse and manly
 § spousyde the doughter of Fraunce, Katerynne
 || who lyst to have rewardes ¶ not far fro Synt Edward
 ** in *alle* vertu
 †† provydyd a forne by the grace of Ihū Chryste
 †† To were ij crownys in Englonde and in Fraunce
 §§ To whom God hath gevyn souerayne suffycsaunce
 ||| Long he hathe rejoyced both by day and nyght.

xxi, Note) thinks that the stanza relating to Edward IV. in the Harleian copy, could scarcely have been written by Lydgate, and gives substantial reasons for his opinion. The fifteenth and last stanza relating to Henry VI., as given in the MSS. of the 'London Citizen,' and that of the Ipswich Domesday volume, differ in this important particular, that, while the one assumes the King to be living, the other distinctly alludes to his burial. It is not unlikely that both versions are correct, and each the work of Lydgate, written at two different periods. It is well to point out the discrepancy which exists between the title as given in the former, and the concluding stanza, which omits the place of burial. I will briefly state my reasons for the conclusion at which I have arrived. The Ipswich Domesday copy, as it now exists in the volume which I have already described, was certainly inscribed there in A.D. 1520, and most likely, as was the case with much other matter forming the same volume, copied from an older MS., that had for some time been deposited among the Town Archives, perhaps even from the time when it was originally written. Especially considering the proximity of the Abbey where Lydgate was an inmate, to the Town of Ipswich, there is strong probability for supposing that this epitomized English history, mellowed into verse, would early find its way into safe custody at Ipswich, and escape receiving additional stanzas of the subsequent reigns of Edward IV, Edward V, Richard III, and Henry VII. Lydgate's memory and genius, if there were no other cause likely to operate in favour of the poem retaining its original features, would probably be sufficient to deter men in the attempt to make any additions.

The remaining portions of this Sixth book are certainly of the time of Henry VI. I am strongly of opinion that the whole of the contents are of the same period, and that the heading 'Edwardus quartus' following Stanza xv, marks the precise time when the work came forth (not necessarily for the first time) from Lydgate's

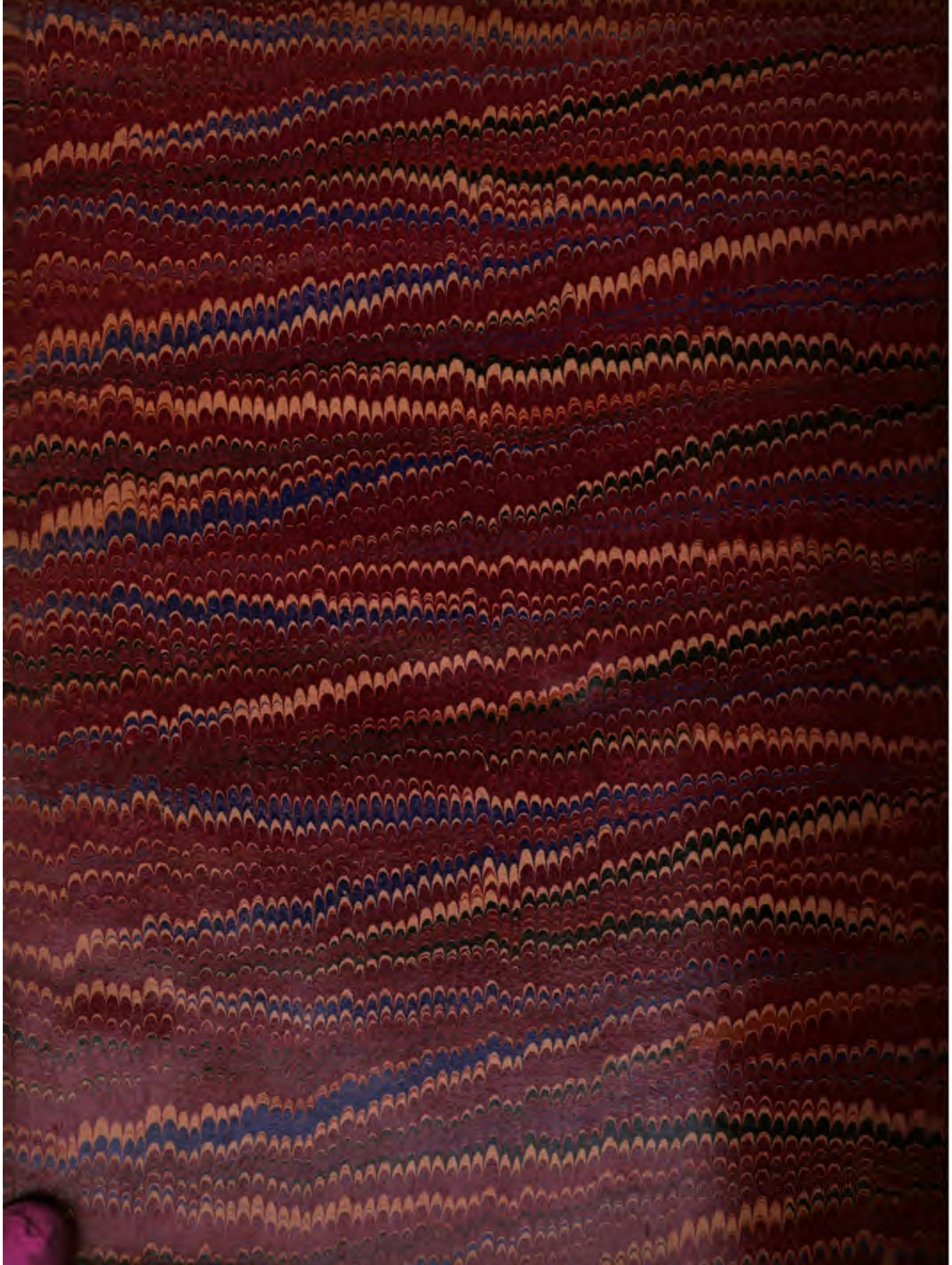
pen, viz., soon after the accession of Edward IV. (cir. 1462), which probably marks the time of Lydgate's decease. He certainly lived until the end of the reign of Henry VI., and nothing is more likely, that in closing this Sovereign's reign, the writer should add the name of the King's successor, who had but lately ascended the throne. Such I am inclined to think is a true account of the authenticity of these verses, drawn from inferences which I cannot but regard as fair and reasonable.

It only now remains to give the stanza which appears in the Harleian copy; it has a very different 'ring' about it to the preceding verses, ascribed to Lydgate, and to my mind plainly points to an author other than he.

"Edwardus Quartus.

*Comforth all thirsty and drynke with gladness,
Rejoyse with myrth though ye have not to spende,
The tyme is come to avoyden your distres.
Edward the Fourth the old wronges to amend,
Is wele disposed in will; and to defend
His lond and peple indede with kynne and myght
Goode lyf and longe, I pray to God hym send
And that Seynt George be with hym in his hyght."*

The object of placing in a collection of this description such apparently extraneous matters as these which occupy the Sixth book, is not quite clear, although certainly they would, as I have shewn, have their use. It may have been out of mere caprice, or for want of a more suitable repository, that they are here entered; certainly it has been the means of preserving to us much interesting matter, which may prove exceedingly useful from other than an antiquarian standpoint, and perchance, when its true value is understood, we shall confess that we can ill afford to spare.



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